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For: DENDRITIC CHEMILUMINESCENT SUBSTRATES
Group Art Unit: 1641
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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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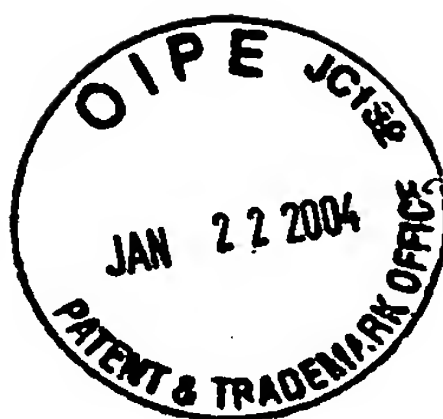
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Further to the Office Communication mailed October 7, 2002, rescinding the requirement for a statement pursuant to 42 USC 2182, Applicant respectfully inquires as to the status of the above-referenced patent application which was filed January 8, 2002. The Notice of Publication of Application mailed October 24, 2002, is the last known correspondence to date.

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